NOTE XIX.

ADDITIONAL REMARKS ON CLADOPALPUS HAGENI, LANSB.

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My assistant Mr. J. Z. Kannegieter, who is travelling in the Malay Archipelago, has had the good fortune, when collecting in the interior of Bedagei (Deli, East Sumatra), to obtain a ♂ and a ♀ specimen of the above named interesting Longicorn, of which as yet only two male specimens were known, one from Serdang (Deli) in the Leyden Museum collection and an other from Mount Ardjoeno (East Java) in the collection of Mr. van Lansberge which is now in Mr. Oberthür's possession.

The knowledge of the ♀ sex is the more important as it shows that the extraordinary structure of the maxillary palpi is only a character of the male sex. Nevertheless the female palpi are still very remarkable for its length and robust although ordinary structure, the last joint is elongate-triangular, and finely pubescent.

Moreover the female differs from the male in being somewhat larger and broader, chiefly its elytra, which are more strongly overreaching the hinder thighs and more broadly rounded at the tip; the prothorax is somewhat more remotely punctured and therefore more shining on the disc; the antennae are proportionally slightly shorter; the last ventral segment is broadly rounded and the whole of the under-surface finely and densely punctured, the sculpture of the underside of the male (of which no mention is made in the

description of Mr. van Lansberge) is similar but stronger.

My ♂ specimen is considerably smaller than the type measuring only 21 mm., whilst the female attains a length of 25 mm.

At the end of his description Mr. van Lansberge remarks: »L'exemplaire de Serdang est brun clair, mais comme celui de Java est noir, il est clair que la couleur brune n'est qu'occasionnelle"; the couple I now received is exactly of the same pale chestnut colour as the specimen formerly sent over from Serdang by Dr. Hagen, and I fear that Mr. van Lansberge's statement will prove to be more immature than the colour of the Sumatran species. A careful re-examination of the Javan specimen may be highly recommanded.

P. S. In the meanwhile the foregoing remarks were passing through the press, I happened to examine the figures of White's Catalogue of Longicorn Coleoptera and was much surprised to find on plate II, fig. 3, a Longicorn, which directly called to mind the ♀ of *Cladopalpus*. After having carefully compared the description and figure of this insect, I have no hesitation in placing *Cladopalpus Hageni* Lansb. in synonymy with *Cyrtonops punctipennis* White. This author has already known the male sex too, but he mistook the singular structure of its palpi, for a curious difformity (vide his footnote); Lacordaire has ventured the supposition of its being a peculiarity for one of the sexes. White and Lacordaire have placed this insect among the Prionidae, whilst van Lansberge described *Cladopalpus* as a new genus of Cerambycidae (tribe of the Distenides); I consider the former view the more correct.